



Puget Sound Regional Council

MINUTES

Operations Committee

June 25, 2026

1201 Third Ave., Ste 500, Seattle, WA 98101

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Executive Ryan Mello, Operations Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held in a hybrid format, with options for in-person and remote participation.

Roll determined that there was a quorum.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Wahl/Strakeljahn) to

- a. Approve Minutes of Meeting held April 23, 2026
- b. Approve Vouchers April 13, 2026, through June 3, 2026, in the Amount of \$2,601,607.86.

The motion passed.

ACTION ITEM: APPROVE CONTRACT AUTHORITY FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANTS

Robin Koskey, PSRC, noted the agency has had a consultant representative at the state legislature in Olympia. This has been helpful by providing timely information about regional priorities, making connections with legislators and keeping apprised of developments on the state budget. PSRC would like to continue using consultant services for state legislative monitoring and government relations support.

It was moved and seconded (Wahl/Low) to recommend the Executive Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into one or more contracts for consultant services for state legislative monitoring and government

relations support. The total budget for consultant work is not to exceed \$220,000 over a 3-year period.
The motion passed.

ACTION ITEM: APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT AND INCREASE CONTRACT AUTHORITY FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE THIRD SURVEY WAVE (2027) OF AN EIGHT-YEAR HOUSEHOLD TRAVEL SURVEY PROGRAM

Brian Lee, PSRC, provided an overview of the Household Travel Survey Program, highlighting the addition of \$500,000 in congressionally directed spending and a \$78,035 local match, bringing the total budget for the 2027 survey wave to \$1,078,035. The amendment authorizes the increased budget and contract authority for the ongoing consultant contract.

Committee members discussed the survey's methodology, sample size, use of federal funds, and opportunities for participation by local jurisdictions.

It was moved and seconded (Wahl/Strakeljahn) to:

- 1. Amend the budget to add \$500,000 in contributions from a congressional directed spending award for the third wave (spring 2027) of an eight-year Puget Sound Regional Household Travel Survey Program, and to increase the authorized consultant expenditures by the same amount.**
- 2. Authorize the increase in contract authority by \$500,000 plus match of \$78,035 to conduct the third wave (spring 2027) of an eight-year Puget Sound Regional Household Travel Survey Program.**

The motion passed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. New Employee Status Report
Thu Le introduced three new employees: Ana Cordes, Transportation Planning; Evelyn Shelton, Growth Management Planning; Hannah Davock, Administrative Services
- b. Monthly Budget Report
- c. Contract Status Report
- d. Grant Status Report

The committee reviewed monthly reports.

NEXT MEETING

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 23, 2026.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

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ATTACHMENTS

A. Attendance June 25, 2026

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Jurisdiction		Member	Attend
King County	2	Vacant	
		Vacant	
City of Seattle	1	CM Eddie Lin	
		Vacant Alt.	
King County Cities/Towns	1	CM Chris Roberts, Shoreline	1
		MYR Dana Ralph, Kent Alt.	
Kitsap County & Cities/Towns	1	MYR Rob Putaansuu, Port Orchard	
		COM Axel Strakeljahn, Port of Bremerton Alt.	1
Pierce County	1	Executive Ryan Mello	1
		CM Dave Morell Alt.	
Pierce County Cities/Towns	1	MYR Stan Flemming, University Place	
		CM Jeff Sproul, Orting Alt.	
Snohomish County	1	CM Sam Low	1
		CM Jared Mead Alt.	
Snohomish County Cities/Towns	1	MYR Pro Tem Bryan Wahl, Mountlake Terrace	1
		MYR Pro Tem Jacob Walker, Monroe	1
Statutory Members: Ports, WSDOT, WA Trans. Commission	1	COM David Simpson, Port of Everett	
		COM Glen Bachman, Port of Everett	1
Members	10		7
		(Quorum = 5) Quorum Total	6